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Title: Implantable Band with Transverse Attachment Mechanism	

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 20, 2008, please amend the above referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.